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Application No: GB 9917404.7

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Dear Sirs

Patents Act 1977: Search Report under Section 17(5)

I enclose two copies of my search report and a copy of the citation.

Plurality of invention

I consider that your application relates to more than one invention as follows:

- (a) Vehicles and methods according to claims 1-3 and 7-9
- (b) Engines and methods according to claims 4-6 and 10-12

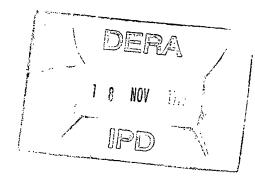
My search report relates to the first invention only. If you want the other invention searched, you should file a further Patents Form 9/77.

You are reminded that if you wish to proceed with your application it is now necessary, if you have not already done so, to file a "Request for Substantive Examination" on Patents Form 10/77 accompanied by the prescribed fee. Whilst the direction under Section 22 remains in force, the time limit for this action is determined by Rule 33(3) of the Patents Rules 1995, ie within two years of the declared priority date or, where there is no declared priority date, from the date of filing the application. Failure to file this form within the stated period will result in the application being treated as withdrawn.

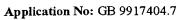
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## Databases searched:

UK Patent Office collections, including GB, EP, WO & US patent specifications, in:

UK Cl (Ed.Q): B7W; B7G

Int Cl (Ed.6): F02K; B64C; B64D

Online: WPI, EPODOC Other:

## **Documents considered to be relevant:**

Category	Identity of document and relevant passage		Relevant to claims	
A	US 5836150	GARCIA		

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Document indicating lack of novelty or inventive step

Document indicating lack of inventive step if combined with one or more other documents of same category.